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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Re: Application of Karl FORMANEK
STEP-DOWN CONVERTER
Assignee: SIEMENS AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT
Our Ref. Q75841

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising twelve (12) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and one (1) sheet of drawings. **The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, Assignment and Information Disclosure Statement will be submitted at a later date.**

The present application is being filed as a Continuation Application, under 35 U.S.C. § 111 (a) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of International Application PCT/DE01/04701, filed December 13, 2001, in accordance with the procedures outlined in Sections 1895 et seq. of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. To facilitate the Examiner's review, Applicants are submitting herewith a copy of the Cover Page of the published International Application and a copy of Applicants' PCT Request.

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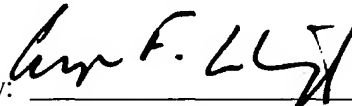
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The priority document is enclosed herewith.

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